House Resolution No. 1447

Whereas, it is with special pleasure that the members of the Missouri House of Representatives pause to recognize an outstanding Missouri citizen who has distinguished himself as a leader of his community; and

Whereas, Jarrett T. Conkin, an esteemed resident of Mountain Grove, Missouri, is the proud recipient of the Wright County Republican Service Award; and

Whereas, Jarrett Conkin is a U.S. Army veteran of World War II and a charter member of V.F.W. Post 3770, an organization that takes tremendous pride in community service; and

Whereas, Jarrett Conkin has put forth an incredible amount of effort to produce flagpoles and American flags for the school's football field, the Fairgrounds, the Juvenile Center, the Masonic Temple, the Civil War Cemetery, and Alumni Park; and

Whereas, Jarrett Conkin contacted the White House for official portraits of the president and vice president which he later framed and hung at City Hall; and

Whereas, Jarrett Conkin has served as a friend and mentor to several local children over the years, taking them to his farm, showing them the value of honest work, rewarding their efforts, and providing them with clothes and other necessities if they are in need; and

Whereas, Jarrett Conkin is exceedingly proud of his affiliation with such important organizations as the Project Central Park Committee, the Mountain Grove Rural Fire Department, the Saddle Club, the Mountain Grove Chamber of Commerce, and Wright County T.A.R.G.E.T.; and

Whereas, the grandson of pioneer Kentucky Republicans who settled in the area in the late 1800s, Jarrett Conkin has been abundantly blessed with the love of his devoted wife of sixty-three years, June Blakely Conkin, and his daughter, Diane Gooch of Fargo, North Dakota:

Now, therefore, be it resolved that we, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives, Ninety-second General Assembly, unanimously join in extending our most hearty congratulations to Jarrett Conkin at this proud moment of well-deserved distinction, and in wishing him only the very best of success in all his future endeavors; and

Be it further resolved that the Chief Clerk of the Missouri House of Representatives be instructed to prepare a properly inscribed copy of this resolution for Wright County Republican Service Award recipient, Jarrett T. Conkin.

Offered by	
•	Representative Van Kelly
	District No. 144

I, Catherine L. Hanaway, Speaker of the House of Representatives, Ninety-second General Assembly, Second Regular Session, do certify that the above is a true and correct copy of House Resolution No. 1447, adopted April 5, 2004.